

REMARKS

Claims 1-35 are currently pending, of which claims 4, 5, 7-14, 18, 19, 21-28, 33, and 34 are withdrawn from consideration. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 6, 15-17, 20, 29-32, and 35 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-13 of Yun et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 5,835,139, herein referred to as "Yun '139"); rejected claims 1-3, 6, 15-17, 20, 29-32, and 35 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-65 of Yun et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 5,926,237, herein referred to as "Yun '237"); rejected claims 1-3, 6, 15-17, 20, 29-32, and 35 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-15 of Yun et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,373,537, herein referred to as "Yun '537"); and rejected claims 1-3, 6, 15-17, 20, 29-32, and 35 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Masanori (JP Patent Pub. No. 07-099394).

Applicant reasserts the arguments previously made regarding the rejection of claims 1-3, 6, 15-17, 20, 29-32, and 35 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over various claims of Yun '139, Yun '237, and Yun '537.

The rejection of claims 1-3, 6, 15-17, 20, 29-32, and 35 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Masanori is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is respectfully requested. As set forth at M.P.E.P. § 2143.03, the applied reference must teach or suggest every claim element to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness.

Nevertheless, the Examiner apparently rejects claims 1, 15, 29, and 30 as obvious in view of Masanori because Masanori discloses "a liquid crystal panel 2 including a display area; first and second frames coupled to sides and edges of the liquid crystal panel; an outer casing disposed on the liquid crystal panel; the edges including a plurality of mounting holes, wherein the holes receives [sic] fastening screws" and wherein "the holes of the casing [are] aligned with the mounting holes."

It is not clear where these features listed above are found in the claimed invention. For example, fastening screws and mounting holes are not found at all in any of the claims of the present invention.

Assuming *arguendo* that Masanori discloses what it is asserted to disclose, Masanori fails to teach or suggest every element as set forth in at least claims 1, 15, 29, and 30. For example, Masanori fails to teach or suggest “a bracket between the first and second side panels of the first and second frames, respectively, the bracket having a projecting part configured to be fitted in the opening of the second side panel of the second frame, wherein the frame is secured to the side wall of the outer casing with a fastener coupled to the bracket through the outer casing,” as recited in claim 1; “a controller connected to the flat panel display for controlling the images; ... and a bracket disposed between the side panels of the frame and the top case, the bracket having a projecting part configured to be fitted in the opening of the side panel of the top case, wherein the frame is secured to the side wall of the outer casing with a fastener coupled to the bracket through the outer casing,” as recited in claim 15; “bracket means for securing the top case means and the frame means to the outer casing, the bracket means being disposed between the side panels of the frame means and the top case means, the bracket means having a projecting part configured to be fitted in the opening of the side panel of the top case, wherein the frame means is secured to the side wall of the outer casing with a fastening means coupled to the bracket through the outer casing,” as recited in claim 29; and “forming a bracket between the first and second side panels of the first and second frames, respectively, the bracket having a projecting part configured to be fitted in the opening of the second side panel of the second frame, wherein the frame is secured to the side wall of the outer casing with a fastener coupled to the bracket through the outer casing,” as recited in claim 30. For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the present rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

Each of claims 1, 15, 29, and 30 recite a bracket, but nowhere does the examiner address this bracket and where it is found in Masanori. Further, this feature is not identified in the assertions of double patenting with respect to the various Yun patents. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to identify in the cited references where this feature is found.

As shown above, the Examiner has failed to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness with respect to claims 1, 15, 29, and 30. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit the Examiner has also failed to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness with respect to claims 2, 3, 6, 16, 17, 20, 31, 32, and 35, which variously depend from claims 1, 15, 29, and 30.


Applicants believe the foregoing amendments place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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